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TO: Hayward City Council and  
Hayward Unified School District Board of Education

FROM: City Manager and Interim Superintendent

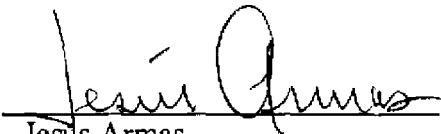
In recent years, the Hayward Unified School District has experienced enrollment growth and a Class Size Reduction program that have required the District to add relocatable classrooms on playground space. There is a need to modernize older schools and update all of the facilities for increased curriculum needs. Enrollment increases are projected for the next several years. All of these changes are affecting the District's ability to provide adequate educational facilities.

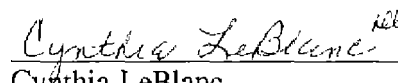
To ensure that its students are provided with the best educational atmosphere possible, the District has been planning for future facility needs. In addition to the *HUSD Muster Plan* (Concordia Study) adopted in early 1999, the District completed a *Facilities Study* in late 1999. Contents of this study include a demographic and enrollment history, a review of various land use trends and policies governing development within the district, calculations of enrollment projections, facility site analyses, and future options for accommodating projected enrollments. Excerpts from *the Facilities Study* are provided in an attachment and include the Executive Summary, Introduction, and Demographic/Enrollment History. A limited number of copies of the entire document are available from the District office if any member of the City Council is interested in obtaining one. District staff will be available at the work session to review highlights of the study and respond to questions. Also attached to this report for your reference are three maps depicting attendance areas for the high schools, middle schools and elementary schools.

In September of this year, the City initiated the process of revising its General Plan. This process will extend over the next fourteen months, with completion anticipated in December of 2001. During the first phase of this process, a series of General Plan Community Workshops is being conducted to provide residents and the business community with the opportunity to identify issues that they would like addressed during the revision of the General Plan. At each of the workshops, participants have been asked to identify issues that need to be addressed in the following areas: redevelopment and revitalization; economic development; housing choices; educational and cultural opportunities; open space and recreational opportunities; public safety; environmental

hazards; and circulation and infrastructure needs. Preliminary review of the comments received at the workshops, as well as comments received in the mail, reveals a variety of concerns. Some of these concerns include: the need to integrate high technology into the overall fabric of the community; the need to improve the quality of education and promote schools as community centers; the need to expand library services; the need to preserve remaining open space and expand recreational opportunities; and the need to create and maintain safe environments for people of all ages.

The City is especially interested in identifying issues that other agencies, such as the Hayward Unified School District, would like to see addressed during the revision of the General Plan. It is anticipated that members of the Board of Trustees will take this opportunity to convey their concerns to the City Council. Based on these discussions, as well as the results from all of the community workshops, an outline will be prepared indicating the sequence of general topics to be discussed by the City Council and Planning Commission during the next phase of the General Plan Revision process. During that phase, the City Council and Planning Commission will hold joint work sessions to discuss the issues, note any preliminary findings, suggest possible strategies, and direct staff to conduct additional research and analysis as warranted. Background papers on the issues will be distributed prior to each work session. At the end of this phase, another series of community workshops will be held in order to review the preliminary findings and seek feedback on possible strategies.

  
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Attachment: Excerpts from the HUSD *Facilities Study*  
Maps of School Attendance Areas

The attachments are duplicates which due to their size or quality are not scanable and therefore are not available for website viewing. The report, in its entirety, is available in the City Clerk's Office, Planning Division, and at the Main Library.